



TUESDAY EVENING, APRIL 23, 1907.

Former Secretary of the Treasury Shaw, now president of the Carnegie Trust Company, of New York, still holds pessimistic views entertained by him shortly before retiring from official life. His business experience at New York has not convinced him that prosperity is becoming too heavy. "There is a halt in prosperity," he emphatically declared Saturday afternoon, while in Washington. Continuing he said: "I am not a calamity howler, and we are not going to have a panic. There is a halt which will continue for a time. When the onward march will be resumed cannot be forecasted. I think the halt is more temporary. We have been going at a fast pace for many months, and it is only natural that there should be a period of stock-taking, an interval of dulness during which we may look around and ascertain just where we stand. During this period of comparative dulness there may be some readjusting going on, but I do not see the slightest indication of widespread depression or a panic. The conditions are not at hand to cause a panic. The country is all right and the people are all right and we are going to have great prosperity. It is only proper that we should stop long enough to take stock, and I have no doubt that as soon as we find out where we are we will decide that the prosperity we have tasted was good and will want more of it."

THE FINAL act in the tragedy in which Miss Mabel Pendleton and Stuart Gay lost their lives, was closed at Clifton Forge, Va., yesterday with the funeral service and burial of the two young people. At least 2,000 persons followed the remains to the cemetery, where the bodies were laid to rest in the same grave. The sad termination of the courtship and intended marriage of this young couple was read far and near a few days ago. They had determined to wed, but had been intercepted and forced to return home before they could be made man and wife. The would-be bride later threw herself into the river and her faithful lover jumped into the water for the purpose of rescuing her. When he drew near the young woman she clasped her arms around his neck and the young couple drowned in each other's embrace. Such instances in human life are pathetic and appeal to the sympathies of all who read of them. The lovers now sleep under the same mound and anguish has been brought to at least two households. Those who frustrated the designs of the young man and young woman were doubtless actuated by good motives, but could their eyes have peered into coming events they would have allowed the couple to carry out their wishes.

LYNCH LAW has been inaugurated in Russia by the nationalists to put an end to the socialist outrages at Lodz, Russian Poland. Having captured one of three socialists who murdered a 15-year-old girl, the nationalists took their prisoner to the outskirts of St. Petersburg, tried him, sentenced him to death by hanging and carried out the sentence. Last week's victims of nationalist and socialist fights totaled 23 killed and 57 wounded. The majority of the casualties were among the socialists. Russia has long been a storm-tossed empire, and conditions seem to have improved but little during the past year.

FIFTY-THREE men out of a venire of 100 summoned for the third trial of Chargeman Michael J. McNamara, charged with killing his wife and John J. Brophy, her paramour, in St. Louis on August 23, 1906, were excused yesterday by Circuit Judge Sale after they had sworn they believed in the "unwritten law." Each of the 53 said he would refuse to vote for conviction if the "unwritten law" was pleaded in McNamara's defense. Lex non scripta seems to be gradually asserting itself, and it is likely to become more firmly entrenched if certain crimes continue to grow.

FIFTY-ONE more men than women were counted at the morning services in the Lincoln Park Baptist Church, in Cincinnati Sunday. The church presented a peculiar appearance at the service referred to, and to a casual onlooker the careful separation in seating men on the north side and women on the south, with its old-fashioned puritanical congregation, was a contrast to the twentieth century conditions. In this day the great majority of church-goers are women, but why this should be the case is hard to understand.

ONE year has passed since the destruction of San Francisco by earthquake and fire. It will be a long time before all the individual financial losses shall be recouped, and many of these, distributed by fire insurance companies, were suffered in the East. But the world was exceedingly prompt to relieve immediate distress, and the commercial recuperation has been almost incredibly rapid. It was the greatest disaster of its class, and it called out unprecedented generosity.

THE "tunnel corner" has for years been the most noisy section of the city, the police giving themselves no concern in the matter. Recently a gentleman who had moved to that neighborhood and whose protests for order were unheeded secured the arrest of several of the noisy men and boys. These were fined, and now "tunnel town" is the most quiet section in Alexandria. This is but an earnest of what the police could do if they only would.

### From Washington.

(Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.)

Washington, April 23.—The Supreme Court of the United States was asked today to declare illegal, under the constitution, a trial because the jury that convicted the accused of first degree murder had been promised "front seats at the hanging," as a reward for conviction. The case is that of William Spangh, of Iron county, Mo., who killed the sheriff. Attorneys for Spangh in arguing the case today said that the new sheriff, a man named Jordan, exercised undue influence over the jury that tried him, laying emphasis on the affidavit of Joseph A. Howard, a preacher, that Albert Ohl, one of the jurors, told that Jordan not only promised to let the jury witness the hanging but gave the jurors whisky during their deliberations. Spangh's attorneys base their appeal for a new trial on the Howard decision. They say: "Since the late decision of the Federal Supreme Court, in the case of Caleb Powers of Kentucky, there can be no question raised by the State, or the appellee, as to the jurisdiction of the Federal Supreme Court to review the final decision of the State court as to whether or not local prejudices, undue influence, improper act of the sheriff and guards in charge of the jury and the use of liquor prejudiced the jury against the appellant or accused to such an extent as to deny him a fair and impartial trial."

"I have so many important things on my mind that I have not time to think much of politics," said Secretary of War Taft today in response to an inquiry. "The fact is I don't know any politics and am not ready to talk on that subject. I am going out to Ohio to fill some engagements that I made some time ago but in the speeches that I shall make I shall not touch upon the political situation." This was the Secretary's statement before he went to the Cabinet meeting and prior to the conference that it is expected he will have with the President today. Whether as a result of that conference he will change his mind is yet to be indicated. The Secretary further said: "Besides the questions in Panama and Cuba which I settled while there I have brought back with me a number of important matters which will have to be decided later in consultation with the President. Where they are of public interest announcement will be made as decisions are reached. The situation in Panama is very satisfactory and encouraging. The work on the canal has lost that formless, discouraging aspect that it had in the beginning. They have begun to excavate for the Gatun locks and they have begun the building of the great dam at that point. As to labor troubles, it would be surprising if, among an army of 30,000 employees, there would not be some who thought they were not getting enough return for their labor. I have made my report on the subject but I understand that it has not yet been acted upon by the President."

Senator Borah, of Idaho, against whom the grand jury at Boise is supposed to have found an indictment for alleged connection with certain timber law violations, called at the White House today and had a long talk with the President. After his interview he said that the subject of his case had not been mentioned during the interview. "I have no information whatever about the alleged indictment," said Senator Borah. "and do not know that one has been returned. Senator Borah is a special attorney employed by the State to prosecute Moyer and Haywood for the murder of Governor Steiengren."

Within the next twenty-four hours it will be determined whether the fighting in Central America shall be resumed or whether a peaceful settlement can be reached. This statement was made today by Senator Mejia, the Minister of Salvador, who, in company with Ambassador Greel, of Mexico, called at the State Department to discuss the situation with Assistant Secretary of State Bacon. The conference between the representatives of Salvador and Nicaragua, at Anapalpa, is still in a deadlock over the demand made by Nicaragua that Salvador should bear some proportion of the expense of the recent war in which Salvador assisted former President Bonilla of Honduras whom the Nicaraguan forces put to flight and finally sent into exile. A strong effort is being made to bring about a compromise but Senator Mejia says that the outlook is not bright. Salvador has an army of 20,000 men guarding the frontier. In the event of the failure of the Anapalpa conference a renewal of the fighting within the next few days is expected.

It is stated this afternoon that a proposition is being seriously considered by the Central American representatives to have all negotiations at Anapalpa discontinued and to bring the whole matter to Washington to be settled in general conference with President Roosevelt as arbitrator.

Party rate tickets for railroad transportation cannot be limited to particular classes of persons, but must be opened to the general public, according to the emphatic and final decision of the Interstate Commerce Commission, announced today in an opinion by Commissioner Prouty. In event the railroads do not accept this interpretation, the Commission will defend its position in the courts. "We are unable to see," says the commission, "how the carriage of ten persons belonging to an amusement company, as a party, differs from the carriage of ten other persons, as a party, in the same train, at the same time, and between the same points; and we are therefore of the opinion that the party rate ticket must be open to the general public." Commissioner Harlan rendered a dissenting opinion, in which Chairman Knapp concurred. Commissioner Cockrell took no part in the consideration.

Archibald B. Hughes, the postmaster at Columbia, Tenn., who was recently dropped from office by order of Postmaster General Cortleyon, called at the White House today to lay his case before the President. Representative

Gaines, a democrat, accompanied Mr. Hughes, and made a strong argument in his behalf. The charges against me were all false from beginning to end," said Mr. Hughes. "They say I absented myself from my office too much."

Representatives of the express companies of the United States conferred today with the members of the Interstate Commerce Commission in regard to the time when the tariff of rates must be on file in the office of the commission. As a result of the conference, the companies will have until July 1.

Expelling his crime of wife murder, William Burge, a negro, was hanged at the United States jail here at 12:05 o'clock today, more than four years after the commission of the crime. Burge shot his wife, Daisy, because she refused to live with him. Motions for a new trial based on a defense of insanity and appeals to higher courts and finally to the President of the United States delayed the execution until today.

Argument for the defense in the Burger-Hermann case was presented to the jury today by A. S. Worthington. He talked all day and will probably finish tomorrow, when District Attorney Baker will close for the prosecution.

The Sioux City (Iowa) Commercial Club filed a complaint before the Interstate Commerce Commission today against the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul, Illinois Central, the Rock Island and other railroads alleging unreasonable and unjust rates from Chicago to Sioux City. It is alleged that the railroads discriminate against merchant and jobbers in Sioux City in favor of dealers in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Ensign David Worth Bagley, U. S. N., has arrived here from the Asiatic station, and will proceed to his home in North Carolina there to take part in the unveiling of the monument to the only naval officer killed in the Spanish-American war. The monument has been erected at Raleigh and will be unveiled on May 20. Many naval officers, friends of the young officer who lost his life at Matanzas will attend the ceremony.

Minister Dawson cables from Santo Domingo that the foreign affairs committee of the Santo Domingo Congress has favorably reported a treaty with the United States.

The press advices from Peking that Sir Chen Tung, Chinese minister to the United States is soon to be elevated to a high position in the Chinese foreign office and that he will probably succeed by Liang Tung Yen, of Peking, as confirmed here. Sir Chen Tung will leave in 30 days.

### News of the Day.

Rudolph Alpheus King, formerly a prominent importing merchant of Washington, died yesterday.

Claude Andre Theuret, a member of the French Academy and an officer of the Legion of Honor, died in Paris today.

Senator Bourne, of Oregon, is out in an interview in which he says the republicans should insist on Roosevelt accepting the nomination for another term.

The Architectural League of America opened its annual convention at the New Willard in Washington yesterday. In the evening the delegates visited Mount Vernon.

Deciding several cases brought to it by saving banks in Des Moines, Ia., the Supreme Court of the United States held yesterday that government bonds in which the capital stock of such banks is invested are exempt from taxation.

The Pacific Mail steamer Mongolia, which went ashore in Hayatomo Strait, near Moji, Japan, yesterday morning, was assisted into deep water at high tide yesterday evening and proceeded on her way. She apparently sustained no serious damage.

Secretary Taft returned to Washington late last night from his trip to Panama and the West Indies. He landed at the Washington navy yard from the United States yacht Mayflower, in which he made his entire trip. He declined to discuss political matters at all publicly.

Killed Daughter's Suitor.

Former County Judge W. G. Loving, of Nelson county, superintendent of the estate of Thomas F. Ryan, shot and instantly killed Theodore Estes, aged twenty-five, son of M. K. Estes, sheriff of Nelson county, at Oak Ridge yesterday afternoon. The weapon used was a double-barreled shotgun, loaded with buckshot. Loving is in custody. The attentions of young Estes to Loving's daughter are said to have been the cause of the shooting.

Judge Loving about 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon drove to the home of young Estes, at Lovington, and asked for him. Being told that he was not there, he drove back to Oakridge and found Estes at the station looking after the unloading of a car of fertilizer.

Judge Loving approached the car and ordered the two negroes in the car to stand aside. Then opened fire, the first load of shot entering Estes' right side, the second striking him in the neck, killing him instantly.

Immediately after the shooting Judge Loving requested Thomas McGinnis, merchant and liveryman at Oakridge, to accompany him to Elmington, where he surrendered himself to T. R. Perkins, a justice of the peace.

Judge Loving has been managing the Oakridge farm near Oakridge for Thomas Ryan, of New York, for some time. Estes was connected with his father in a large mercantile, fertilizer, and implement business, at Lovington. It is said that he was unarmed at the time of the shooting.

The principals in the tragedy are among the most prominent people in Nelson county. Estes was a connection by marriage of Gov. Swanson.

Mrs. Brown Married.

Mrs. Laura J. Brown, widow of Gen. Alexander D. Brown, of Baltimore, and Mr. Charles H. Kaufman, of Boston, who is 32 years her junior, were married at noon today in St. Joseph's Catholic Church, at Texas, Baltimore county. Rev. R. C. Campbell, rector of the church, assisted by Rev. Father Williams, performed the ceremony.

According to Mrs. Brown, the romance which culminated with the wedding yesterday, began 12 months ago at Narragansett, where she met the groom to be. "It was a case of love at first sight," was the way Mrs. Brown stated it to a reporter when seen at her home at the time the engagement was announced. Mrs. Brown inherited part of the fortune of the late General Brown, and she owns one of the most beautiful homes in Baltimore county.

### Virginia News.

Miss Pendleton and Stuart G. Gay, the Clifton Forge "Romeo and Juliet," were buried together in one grave.

James T. Knight, merchant and farmer of Arnel, Frederick county, died Sunday, after a lingering illness, aged fifty-one years.

Mrs. Emma Steadman, widow of Marshall Steadman and daughter of the late John and Sarah A. Towner died in Leesburg on Saturday.

Mrs. Martha Grim, widow of David Grim, died Sunday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lewis Legg, in Winchester, aged sixty-seven years.

The Leavell Vehicle Company of Frederickburg has made an assignment. Liabilities about \$5,000. Lack of capital was principal cause of assignment.

W. D. Cardwell, member of the house of delegates from Hanover county, and speaker of the house, will not be a candidate for re-election to the house.

The stockholders of the Northern Neck Agricultural Association of Northumberland county have decided to sell at public auction their fair grounds, near Heathsville, in that county.

In the County Court of Loudoun on Saturday Clarence Murray, indicted for assault upon William Edmunds at Gleadsville, Loudoun county, last fall, was adjudged to be guilty, and sentenced to spend one year in jail and pay \$150 fine.

Dr. and Mrs. William P. McGuire, of Winchester, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Lelia Moss, to Lewis Huntington Hyde, of New York city. The wedding will take place in Christ Protestant Episcopal church, Winchester, the middle of June.

For the past several nights earthquake shocks have been felt in various towns of the lower Shenandoah Valley. At Middletown, Strasburg, and Mount Jackson persons strain to have felt articles of furniture rocking, and experienced the sickening feeling which accompanies the trembling of the earth.

It was announced at the navy department yesterday that James B. Hunt, of Portsmouth; Richard E. Meade, of Amelia; William Paul S. Watson, of Danville, and Francis Marion Collier, of Big Stone Gap, had been designated by the secretary to stand the entrance examinations for admission to the Naval Academy at Annapolis, which will be held July 18.

The large brick residence, known as the old Conkley house, on the Warren road, in Stafford, occupied by Mrs. Maggie Love and her sister, was burned to the ground Sunday, together with contents and \$345 belonging to Beverly Amistead, an old colored man, who had put it away in the house. The occupants were not at home when the fire broke out and the origin is not known.

Mrs. R. K. Barksdale, wife of a Norfolk and Western Railway engineer, yesterday held a pistol over John B. Gronow, a young man of Roanoke, while her husband applied a cowhide strenuously to Gronow's back. The whipping took place in the Eagles' Home, into which club Barksdale had invited Gronow, saying that he wished to speak to him privately. Barksdale claims that Gronow had made derogatory remarks about his wife.

At Erington yesterday H. K. Early, a merchant, had a hearing before magistrates on the charge of killing John Grossman, a Southern Railway telegraph operator, there, Sunday. Witnesses testified that had blood had existed for some time between the two men, and that Grossman followed Early Sunday and threatened him, whereupon both fired fire or six shots, Grossman being killed almost instantly. Early was wounded in the leg. At the close of the testimony Commonwealth's Attorney Murrells conceded that a case of self-defense had been made out and the magistrate dismissed the case.

The coroner's jury at Danville investigating the death of Ellen Elliott, a negro woman, who was killed by a crowd of white boys, while she was masquerading in male attire, returned a verdict yesterday that she came to her death at the hands of Joe Baugh, Oscar Neathery, John B. Talbot and Tom Walker. All of the above named are now in jail. The ages of the boys range from fifteen to twenty-one years. The assault appears to have been provoked by the boys throwing rocks at this woman, who then cursed them. Their defense will be that the woman fired twice at them before they closed in on her and beat and cut her to death. She was dressed in men clothes for the purpose of spying on one of her admirers.

### Killed by a Train.

Geo. Perkinson, a Chesterfield county farmer, and his sister, Mrs. John Shell, were instantly killed by a Seaboard Air Line wrecking train shortly after 8 o'clock yesterday morning at a crossing near Swift Creek, in Chesterfield county, about three miles from Petersburg. Mrs. Shell's 14-year-old daughter, Rose, was seriously injured. The three were in a two-horse wagon which was knocked to splinters by the locomotive, the occupants being thrown about 75 feet from the track. The scene of the accident was in a cut less than 300 yards south of the Swift Creek village public school. A curving track and a hill between the creek and the road crossing prevented the unfortunate people from seeing the approaching train.

Several cars of a freight train went through a wooden bridge over Hatcher's run, on the Seaboard Air Line Railway, near Burgess, in Dinwiddie county, early yesterday morning. After the locomotive and six cars had crossed one of the cars, loaded with matches, quickly blazed up amid the mass of wreckage and nearly all the train was burned up, including the bridge. The wrecking train which killed the people at Swift Creek was going to this wreck.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. We will give you Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

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### Today's Telegraphic News

Douglas, the Defaulter.

New York, April 23.—Following the discovery of \$20,000 or more of the bonds taken by Wm. O. Douglas, the defaulting employee of the Trust Company of America, concealed in the bed of Oliver M. Bennett, one of the brokers with whom Douglas had dealings at the exclusive Manhattan Club, detectives working on the case declared today that before their investigation is completed there will probably be some sensational disclosures, showing that Douglas's game was one of the most remarkable deals ever developed in Wall street. One or more arrests in the matter were openly hinted at.

The greatest secrecy is maintained as to the exact face value of the bonds taken by Douglas, but from one source it was learned they exceed \$100,000. All the officers deny, however, the amount will reach the \$250,000 mark set by Douglas as his pecuniations.

Detectives who have been investigating Bennett's career have unearthed much about him, showing that he was connected with several Boston concerns which failed. Mrs. Wm. O. Douglas, wife of the defaulting employee, was located today at the home of her father, a wealthy retired merchant, in East New York. She disappeared after Douglas's arrest in the Hotel Portland early Sunday, and this led to the belief that she might have killed herself or met with some mishap.

At a meeting of the executive meeting of the Trust Company of America a statement was given out that Douglas had stolen certain securities, that some of the securities had been practically hypothecated by S. D. Bennett with brokerage houses and that maximum loss would not exceed \$140,000. It was rumored at police headquarters today that Bennett had been taken into custody, but the detective bureau had no knowledge of his arrest.

### Fires and Loss of Life.

New York, April 23.—Four men are dead, three are missing and ten firemen are injured in early morning blazes on the East Side today. Two fire engines were wrecked in collision with street cars, 250 houses were burned to death, and a property loss of \$200,000 completed the record of loss. Practically every fire company on the East Side was in action for hours.

Six alarms were sounded from various points, and it is estimated that three hundred families were driven from their homes by flames.

The most serious fire destroyed the Dispatch Express Company's stables, where the men and horses lost their lives.

What was the most difficult part of the fire to fight was the repair shop of the New York Central Railroad. Many locomotives, passenger coaches, Pullmans and freight cars were destroyed. The loss will be very heavy.

The hose had to be stretched across a score of tracks from either side over the tops of cars, and in this way hose enough to reach the fire was secured. Large quantities of lubricating oil, paints and varnishes added to the fierceness of the blaze.

### The Drago Doctrine.

London, April 23.—The announcement from Buenos Ayres that Dr. Luis Drago, who, as foreign minister of Argentina, advanced the Drago doctrine, has been selected as one of Argentina's delegates to the coming Hague conference, is regarded by British statesmen as practically notice to the other powers which will be represented at the Hague that the Drago doctrine will be advanced for adoption as a principle of international law.

Dr. Roque Saez Pena and Carlos Rodriguez, who have been named with Dr. Drago, are both strong supporters of the doctrine.

Fears have been entertained that any effort to foist the Drago doctrine on the Hague conference would lead to a serious disagreement. Briefly stated, this doctrine sets out that no power shall employ force to collect a monetary claim due a citizen of that power.

European nations, in view of the large claims held by their subjects in South American countries, do not look with great favor on the doctrine and it is not believed they will accept it as a part of international law.

### Brush and Forest Fires.

Boston, April 23.—The late spring and the recent dry weather has allowed an unusually large number of brush and forest fires to start in the thinly settled parts of New England. During the past 48 hours flames have destroyed thousands of dollars' worth of timber lands in Middleboro, Carver, Plymouth and Wareham in this State, and in other New England states the damage has been heavy. Two families are homeless in Middleboro because of brush fires getting beyond control of the fire fighters.

At South Pond, Plymouth, the residents are making a desperate fight today. A gale is blowing a fire which threatens to wipe out many of the fine summer places owned in the section.

Two houses were destroyed and many acres of woodland burned over near the shore of Canobie Lake, N. H.

By a hard struggle in beating back the flames a party of sixty men of the neighborhood succeeded in saving the district school. The damage is estimated at \$10,000.

### Fire at Toulon Arsenal.

Toulon, April 23.—The fire at the arsenal here was brought under control today after burning over a large tract of ground and causing damage which will reach to many millions of francs. Twenty soldiers were hurt in fighting the flames.

All the buildings for a distance of 300 yards were burned including the fleet workshops and torpedo school. Papers of the commission investigating the recent accident to the warship Jena were destroyed.

For a while the flames threatened the military barracks and the soldiers were hurriedly ordered to evacuate them. By a great effort they were saved. All ships at the arsenal were saved.

### Hard Times in Kansas.

The old days of grasshoppers and drought are almost forgotten in the prosperous Kansas of today; although a citizen of Codel, Earl Shamburg, has not yet forgotten a hard time he encountered. He says: "I was worn out and discouraged by coughing, night and day, and could find no relief till I tried Dr. King's New Discovery. It took less than one bottle to completely cure me." The safest and most reliable cough and cold cure and lung and throat healer ever discovered. Guaranteed at E. S. Leadbeater & Son's drug store. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

### The Market.

Georgetown April 23.—Wheat 73½.

### The Nelson County Tragedy.

[Special Dispatch to the Alexandria Gazette.] Richmond, April 23.—The killing of Theodore Estes, aged 25, in Nelson county yesterday afternoon by ex-Judge W. G. Loving, has caused a tremendous sensation throughout the State. The parties are all prominent. Gov. Swanson's brother is the husband of young Estes's sister.

A telegram from Lovington gives the first intimation of Estes' offense. The telegram says that the rumor is current there that Estes went driving with the 19-year-old daughter of Judge Loving Sunday and returned her in an unconscious condition. She appeared as if she might have been drugged.

### Baron de Massey on Trial.

New York, April 23.—Baroness Anasia Louise de Massey was put on trial today before Justice Blanchard in the Supreme Court for the murder of Gustav Simon, a millionaire shirt manufacturer, who was shot to death last November in his office. Aside from the mystery of her personality, there is abundant mystery in her life story. It has leaked out that she comes of a noble family which was impoverished in the French revolution. When still a girl she married Baron Massey, a friend of the de Castellanes. One year later he died suddenly, of poison, administered by a secret enemy, so his wife claimed. The young widow came to this country with a view, it is said, to hunting down the assassin. She had been here for nineteen years, living alone, it seems, nursing her revenge in seclusion. It has been intimated that the killing of Simon had a direct bearing upon the poisoning of her husband. Attorney Le Barbier stated today that the defense was prepared to show that the Baroness was in Simon's office trying to collect wages due her; that another person was lying in wait to slay him, and did so just as the Baroness was walking down the stairs.

### Disorder in Paris.

Paris, April 23.—With cuirassiers and mounted police patrolling the streets Paris, the city of pleasure, today presented the appearance of being in a state of siege. Strong detachments of its police occupied many squares and gardens, armed with heavy night sticks, kept the crowds in many thoroughfares moving, adding to the excitement.

The most serious labor riots Paris has faced for many days were responsible for the calling out of the mounted soldiers and extra police forces. Strikes of the waiters, bakers and other food-producing trades unions who attempted demonstrations in the streets, caused riots in various quarters of the city. The worst outbreak occurred before the annex to the Labor Exchange. There thousands of strikers and their sympathizers gathered, and it was necessary to call out cuirassiers to disperse the mob. The troops were then kept on duty to prevent further rioting.

All possible leniency was shown in dealing with the strikers and only seven arrests were made in the riot at the annex.

### Trained Him to House.

Bridgewood, N. J., April 23.—Frederick W. Gardner, township tax collector and justice of the peace, committed suicide here last night by shooting himself in the head when his wife found him at the home of Mrs. Benjamin Egner. Gardner had been paying attentions to Mrs. Egner, whose husband is a blacksmith, for some time. He was a lover of horses, and Mrs. Egner, it was said, first got into his good graces by taking him out frequently behind a fast horse she owned.

Recently Mrs. Gardner heard of her husband's attentions to the woman, and, suspecting last night that he was going to the Egner house, followed him.

When she had assured herself that her husband was inside, she entered and found the pair in the sitting-room. Gardner drew a revolver and shot himself in the back of the head as soon as his wife appeared on the scene. Gardner was about 56 years old, and had been justice of the peace for five years. He has been married for about thirty years, and has a 13-year-old daughter.

### Assassins Sentenced.

St. Petersburg, April 23.—Eleven years' imprisonment in the mines is the sentence which has been given a student named Ilinsky by court martial at Taur for the assassination of Count Alexis Igantseff. Tselovsky, an accomplice, was sentenced to deportation for life. The defendants protested that they should have been tried by the ordinary law, but were not heeded. Count Igantseff, a member of the council of the empire, and former Governor of Kiev, Volhynia and Podolia, was killed on December 22 last. He was regarded by terrorists as the instigator of the trials by drum head court martial.

### Mr. Bryan in Massachusetts.

Boston, April 23.—A busy day for William J. Bryan began today when he reached Boston from Fall River, and went at once to the Algonquin Club, to attend the breakfast given in his honor by Governor Guild. The other guests were former officers of the Seventh Army Corps in which Col. Bryan served during the Spanish American war. After the governor's breakfast, Mr. Bryan addressed the Harvard Symposium Club, and at 2 p. m. left for Lawrence, where he speaks this afternoon. From there he goes to Lowell, to speak this evening.

### Conference of Miners.

Fernie, B. C., April 23.—A conference of miners and mine operators is being held here today to bring to an end, if possible, the coal strike. Both sides are anxious for a settlement. McKenzie King, labor commissioner of the federal government, members of the provincial government board, and Alberta provincial officials are present. Great apprehension prevails over British Columbia and the new provinces owing to lack of food and fuel supplies, which may come with the continuance of the strike.

### Murder and Attempted Suicide.

Boston, April 23.—During a violent quarrel, John U. Sherry shot and killed his wife, Mary, and then sent a bullet into his own head, at their home in Roxbury, early today. The man was still living when removed to the city hospital, but has no chance for recovery. Sherry was formerly in an insane asylum. The couple were married two years ago and had quarreled constantly.

### New York Stock Market.

New York, April 23.—Although the stock market took a good many stocks in the first hour, there was an improvement over the price levels reached on the advance yesterday. In the higher-priced stocks slight fractional gains were noted. The market generally was much narrower than in the same period yesterday.

### "Tainted Money."

Boston, April 23.—Chancellor Day of Syracuse University broke loose again in defense of "Tainted Money," last night, at the meeting of the Methodist Social Union. "Tainted Money," he said, "is money, nevertheless, it is only made tainted by the judgment of the demagogue and Popharisee and is good enough for all practical purposes such as the building of college buildings. 'What we want is a little godly worldliness in our churches,' he said. 'It goes hand in hand with spirituality. We ought to have the prayer and dollars but in some cases dollars before prayer.' He urged that the church should take up the corporation method of today, and recognize that it would be vastly more effective to have a large and magnificent religious centers in a city strategically located instead of hundreds of 'little decorated wailing places on side streets, where people gathered to tell each other how good they are.'"

### Fire in